



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REGARDING THE 2009-10 PROPOSED BUDGET
HELD IN ROOM 381B
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION**

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

9:30 AM

Present: Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Supervisor Antonovich, and Supervisor Knabe, Chairman

Absent: Supervisor Molina and Supervisor Ridley-Thomas

Attachment: [Video Transcript](#)

1. Public Hearing on the 2009-10 Proposed Budget. (09-0955)

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and statements relating to the 2009-10 Proposed County Budget as follows:

1. **Statement of District Attorney, Steve Cooley, requesting the Board to restore all the positions cut in Fiscal Year 2008-09 and proposed to be cut Fiscal Year 2009-10, with the exception of seven high-level management positions.**
2. **Statement of Sheriff Leroy D. Baca, regarding the Sheriff Department's following priority funding requests for Fiscal Year 2009-10, as further detailed in his report dated May 13, 2009:**
 1. **DNA Backlog Reduction**
 2. **Jail Ward Security System**
 3. **Expansion of Investigative Special Services in the Special Victims, Commercial Crimes and Homicide Bureaus**
 4. **Unfunded costs, including past bonuses, overtimes and leaves of absence**

2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on issues and/or requests related to the 2009-10 Proposed Budget. (09-0959)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3, opportunity was given for members of the public to address the Board.

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and statements related to the 2009-10 Proposed County Budget as follows:

1. **Statement of John Tanner, Executive Director of SEIU Local 721, regarding the bargaining contract covering more than 55,000 County employees and the need for public health services.**
2. **Statement of Yvette Holman, an emergency room nurse at LAC+USC Medical Center, regarding improvement of access to healthcare and the modernization of County's health system for its residents.**
3. **Statement of Marlene Allen, an employee of the Department of Public Social Services' GAIN Program, regarding the increased caseloads for staff due to the Nations economic downturn.**
4. **Statement of Laura Frakes, Library Director of the Julia Dixon Library, regarding the lack of appropriate staff to select library titles and other library materials for the diverse communities they serve.**
5. **Statement of Kim Peters, an employee of the County Public Library, regarding improvement of library services for County residents.**
6. **Statement of Luis Vellegas, an employee of the Department of Animal Care and Control, regarding increased calls and animals coming into the County's shelters, and the lack of protective gear for capturing animals in a safe manner.**
7. **Statement of Rodolfo Meza, an employee of the Registrar-Recorder/ County Clerk, regarding improving customer service by operating in a more cost effective manner.**
8. **Statement of Xiomara Arias, Intermediate Typist Clerk, regarding the continued use of outside registry workers for medical coding rather than utilize County staff who have been trained in this area.**

9. **Statements of Veronica Garcia, and Luis Zenteno, employees of Servicon Systems, Inc. who provide housekeeping services at the County's Medical Centers alleging they have not received a raise in five years and cannot afford health insurance.**
10. **Statement of Anjali da Victoria Lobo, representing SEIU Local 1877, requesting that consideration be given to ensure compliance with the Living Wage Ordinance for subcontracted workers during the terms of their contracts.**
11. **Statement of Susanne Cumming, representing the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission, regarding reorganization of the Commission's administrative infrastructure.**

Following public testimony, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, the Board took the following actions:

1. **Received and filed and took under advisement various supplemental budget requests and comments made during the public budget hearings which commenced on May 13, 2009;**
2. **Made a finding that a notice of public budget hearings was given in accordance with Section 29080 of the Government Code, that said hearings commenced on the 13th day of May 2009 pursuant to said notice and as required by Section 29081 of the Government Code;**
3. **Closed the public budget hearings for purposes of oral testimony, finding that there are no persons who have not been given the opportunity to be heard; but to allow maximum public input, permit additional written testimony and requests to be filed through the close of business, Friday, May 22, 2009; and**

**4. Reconfirmed that Budget Deliberations will begin on Monday,
June 22, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**

Ayes: 3 - Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Supervisor Antonovich and
Supervisor Knabe

Absent: 2 - Supervisor Molina and Supervisor Ridley-Thomas

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the Special Meeting relating to the 2009-10 Proposed Budget held on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer
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of the Board of Supervisors



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